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Victor Ambros David Baulcombe Gary Ruvkun

For discoveries that revealed an unanticipated world of tiny RNAs that regulate gene function in plants and animals.

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Lasker~DeBakey Clinical Medical Research Award >



Akira Endo

For the discovery of the statins — drugs with remarkable LDL-cholesterol-lowering properties that have revolutionized the prevention and treatment of coronary heart disease.

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Lasker-Koshland Special Achievement Award in Medical Science >



Stanley Falkow

For a 51-year career as one of the great microbe hunters of all time — he discovered the molecular nature of antibiotic resistance, revolutionized the way we think about how pathogens cause disease, and mentored more than 100 students, many of whom are now distinguished leaders in the fields of microbiology and infectious diseases.

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